



DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2544-052]

Hydro Technology Systems, Inc.; Notice of Application Tendered for Filing with the Commission and Soliciting Additional Study Requests and Establishing Procedural Schedule for Relicensing and a Deadline for Submission of Final Amendments

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection.

- a. Type of Application: New Minor License
- b. Project No.: 2544-052
- c. Date Filed: December 27, 2021
- d. Applicant: Hydro Technology Systems, Inc. (HTS)
- e. Name of Project: Meyers Falls Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: The existing project is located on the Colville River near the city of Kettle Falls, Stevens County, Washington. The project does not affect federal lands.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: Federal Power Act 16 U.S.C. 791(a) – 825(r)
- h. Applicant Contact: Benjamin Hendrickson, President, Hydro Technology Systems, Inc., 897 Greenwood Loop Rd., PO Box 245, Kettle Falls, WA 99141; Telephone (509) 933-7629
- i. FERC Contact: Maryam Zavareh, (202) 502-8474 or maryam.zavareh@ferc.gov.
- j. Cooperating agencies: Federal, state, local, and tribal agencies with jurisdiction and/or special expertise with respect to environmental issues that wish to cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document should follow the instructions for filing such requests described in item l below. Cooperating agencies should note the Commission's policy that agencies that cooperate in the preparation of the environmental document cannot also intervene. *See*, 94 FERC ¶ 61,076 (2001).
- k. Pursuant to section 4.32(b)(7) of 18 CFR of the Commission's regulations, if any resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person believes that an additional scientific study should be conducted in order to form an adequate factual basis for a complete analysis of the application on its merit, the resource agency, Indian Tribe, or person must file a request for a study with the Commission not later than 60 days from the date of filing of

the application, and serve a copy of the request on the applicant.

- l. Deadline for filing additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status: February 25, 2022. The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file additional study requests and requests for cooperating agency status using the Commission's eFiling system at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx>. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FERCOOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).
- m. The application is not ready for environmental analysis at this time.
- n. Project Description: The existing Meyers Falls Project consists of a 10-acre impoundment at normal maximum elevation of 1,515.4 feet above mean sea level (msl); a 306-foot-long, 24.5-foot-long concrete dam with a spillway section in the middle containing five spillway bays, each 18 feet, 10 inches wide with 2-foot-high wooden flashboards on top; a fish bypass on the right side of the spillway; a 360-foot-long, 20-foot-deep intake channel; a 323-foot-long, 4-foot-diameter, concrete penstock; a 31.5-foot-wide, 55.5-foot-long, 15.5-foot-high steel reinforced concrete powerhouse containing two generating units with a total installed capacity of 1.2 megawatts; a 3,500-foot-long, 3.8-kilovolt transmission line; and appurtenant facilities. The project generates an annual average of 7,883 megawatt-hours.

HTS proposes to continue to operate the project in a run-of-river mode. The project operates within a flow range of 22 cubic feet per second (cfs) (minimum hydraulic capacity of the turbine) and 140 cfs (maximum hydraulic capacity of the turbine).

- o. In addition to publishing the full text of this notice in the Federal Register, the Commission provides all interested persons an opportunity to view and/or print the contents of this notice, as well as other documents in the proceeding (e.g., license application) via the Internet through the Commission's Home Page (<http://www.ferc.gov>) using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document (P-2544). A copy of the application is typically available to be viewed at the Commission in the Public Reference Room. At this time, the Commission has suspended access to the Commission's Public Reference Room due to the proclamation declaring a National Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) issued by the President on March 13, 2020. For assistance, contact FERC at FERCOOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or call toll-free, (866) 208-3676 or (202) 502-8659 (TTY).

You may also register online at <https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOOnline.aspx> to be notified via email of new filings and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

- p. Procedural Schedule:

The application will be processed according to the following preliminary Hydro Licensing

Schedule. Revisions to the schedule may be made as appropriate.

MILESTONE	TARGET DATE
Issue Deficiency Letter (if necessary)	January 2022
Issue Scoping Document 1 for comments	May 20202
Comments on Scoping Document 1 Due	July 2022
Issue Scoping Document 2	August 2022
Issue Notice of Ready for Environmental Analysis	August 2022

q. Final amendments to the application must be filed with the Commission no later than 30 days from the issuance date of the notice of ready for environmental analysis.

Dated: January 10, 2022.

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.